## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

The specification as amended below with replacements paragraphs shows added text with <u>underlining</u> and deleted text with <u>strikethrough</u>.

Please REPLACE the following paragraphs in accordance with the following:

[Paragraph beginning at page 7, line 9, with the following paragraph:]

[0035] The system shown in *Figure 2* includes a programmable computer 201 having a <u>DVD-Digital Versatile Disk</u> drive 202 for receiving <u>CD-ROMS-Compact Disc Read-Only Media</u> and <u>DVDs-Digital Versatile Disks</u> 203, along with a disk drive 204 for receiving magnetic disks 205 such as zip disks. Computer system 201 may receive program instructions via an appropriate <u>CD-ROM-Compact Disc Read-Only Media</u> 203 and data files may be transferred using zip drive 205 or via a network connection 206 connected to the World Wide Web 101. Output data is displayed on a visual display unit 207 and manual input is received via keyboard 208 and a mouse 209.

[Paragraph beginning at page 18, line 4, with the following paragraph:]

[0071] Further details concerning Twofish cipher may be found at http://www.counterpane.com/twofish.html. Twofish is a one hundred and twenty eight bit block cipher that accepts a variable length key up to two hundred and fifty six bits. The cipher is a sixteen round Feistel network with a bijective F function made up of four key dependent eight by eight S boxes, are fixed four by four maximum distance separable matrix, a Pseudo-Handemarde transform, bytwise rotations and a carefully designed key schedule.